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Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
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c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.

If Yes, brief description: _____.

Claim(s) discussed: 1.

Identification of prior art discussed: Parthasarathy (US publication no. 2003/0036993).

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☒ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Discussed the limitations in relation to Parthasarathy. In particular, the limitations of "managing market", "firm offer", and "see each other bids" were discussed in more details.

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